



# VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Phase 1

Individuals who were eligible to receive vaccine during Phase 1 in Virginia will continue to be prioritized during Phase 2. People eligible during Phase 1 include the following:

## **Healthcare Personnel:**

- Behavioral health providers
- Community health workers
- Dental assistants, hygienists, dentists
- EMT/first responders serving as EMT extenders
- Environmental services staff
- Healthcare trainees
- Home health workers
- Human service providers
- Infection control and quality assurance personnel
- Laboratorians
- Mortuary service providers (e.g. morticians/funeral home staff)
- Nurses, nursing assistants
- Optometrists
- Personal care aides
- Pharmacists, pharmacy techs and staff
- Physicians, physician assistants
- Public-facing public health workers
- Radiological techs (and other diagnostic/therapeutic techs)
- Respiratory, physical, speech and occupational techs
- Social workers
- Primary caregivers for persons with severe chronic medical conditions or with intellectual or developmental disabilities requiring a high level of daily care

## **Residents and Staff of Long-Term Care Facilities:**

Long-term care facilities include:

- Skilled nursing facilities
- In-patient hospice facilities
- Assisted living facilities
- Residential care communities; e.g., programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, religious nonmedical health care institutions, etc.
- Intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities
- State veterans homes
- Other adult care homes, family care homes, group homes



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Long-term care staff include:

- All staff working in long-term care facilities
- Home health workers (e.g., nurses, respiratory therapists, health aides) who need to go into the homes of individuals with chronic, complex conditions and/or disabilities to deliver nursing and/or daily living care Last Updated: January 31, 2021 3 VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Phase 1a In Depth
- Home health providers who deliver health care services for older adults, people with disabilities, and others with chronic health conditions who live independently in the community with supports and service

## **People aged 65 years and older**

**People aged 16-64 with certain conditions or disabilities that increase their risk of severe illness from COVID-19:**

- The list of medical conditions is updated routinely as new data become available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html>
- Healthcare providers may use clinical judgement to determine if a patient's medical condition or disability warrants prioritization for vaccination

## **People living in correctional facilities, homeless shelters, and migrant labor camps**

**Frontline and Other Essential Workers in the following categories and industries:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Police, Fire, and Hazmat</li><li>• Corrections and homeless shelter workers</li><li>• Childcare/PreK-12 Teachers/Staff (public and private)</li><li>• Food and Agriculture workers (including veterinarians)</li><li>• Manufacturing</li><li>• Grocery store workers</li><li>• Public transit workers</li><li>• Mail carriers (USPS and private)</li><li>• Officials needed to maintain continuity of government (including judges and public facing judicial workers)</li><li>• Clergy/Faith Leaders</li><li>• Janitorial/Cleaning</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Energy</li><li>• Water, wastewater, and waste removal (including recycling removal)</li><li>• Housing and construction</li><li>• Food service</li><li>• Transportation and logistics</li><li>• Institutes of higher education (faculty/staff)</li><li>• Finance</li><li>• Information Technology &amp; Communication</li><li>• Media</li><li>• Legal Services</li><li>• Public Safety (engineers)</li><li>• Other Public Health Workers</li><li>• Barbers, Stylists, and Hairdressers</li></ul> |
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